

P.A. 116 Farmland Preservation

Request for Release of PART OF AN AGREEMENT Prior to Expiration

Find the type of release that best fits your situation, check that box, then gather the documentation required and submit entire request packet to address shown at the end of this section.

- ☐ **Releasing a parcel up to two acres with at least one structure that was present prior to the start date of the Agreement.**
- Include items 1, 4, 7, 9 from the list below; also include item 8 if request is for more than 2 acres (can't exceed 5 acres).
- ☐ **Releasing a parcel up to two acres with Existing Buildings - Due to Death of a Named Person on the Agreement**
- Include items 1, 2, 7, 9, 10 from the list below; also include item 8 if request is for more than 2 acres (can't exceed 5 acres).
- ☐ **Releasing a parcel up to two acres with Existing Buildings - Due to Disability of a Named Person on the Agreement**
- Include items 1, 3, 7, 9, 10 from the list below; also include item 8 if request is for more than 2 acres (can't exceed 5 acres).
- ☐ **Releasing a parcel up to two acres for Someone Essential to the Farm**
- Include items 1, 5, 7, 9 from the list below
- ☐ **Releasing a parcel - public interest is served by the release**
- Include items 1, 6, 7, 9 from the list below

LIST OF ITEMS THAT MAY BE REQUIRED WITH REQUEST

1. The Farmland Development Rights Agreement number or a copy of the Agreement.
 2. Copy of the death certificate (request must be within 3 years of date of death).
 3. Signed statement from a physician stating the type and severity of the disability, and that the condition represents a total and permanent disability.
 4. A resolution of approval from the zoning authority (usually the township board) that indicates at least one structure on the parcel to be removed predates the Farmland Agreement.
 5. A resolution of approval from the zoning authority (usually the township board) that indicates the release is for someone essential to the farm according to the definition in the law governing the program.
 6. A resolution of approval from the zoning authority (usually the township board) that indicates the release is for Public Interest and meets one or more conditions of 36111a.(1)(b) of Part 361 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act.
- [Sample resolutions may be found here.](#)
7. Legal description of parcel to be released.
 8. Documentation for need for excess of 2 acres.
 9. A listing of the taxable value of the parcel to be released, including all buildings, for the past seven years on official letterhead, signed by the tax assessor.
 10. Signed statement from the tax assessor that indicates at least one structure on the parcel to be removed predates the Farmland Agreement.
 11. Documentation of public interest.

INCOMPLETE REQUESTS WILL BE RETURNED TO SENDER

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